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STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TAX AND REVENUE WEST VIRGINIA RACING COMMISSION

Bob Wise Governor

MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Members (and Prospective Members) of the

West Virginia Greyhound Owners and Breeders

Association WVGOBA

FROM:

Linda L. Lacy

DATE:

May 14, 2004

SUBJECT:

Key Date - June 11, 2004 - Affecting participation in the West Virginia

Greyhound Breeding Development Fund (WVGBDF) (Enrolled House Bill

4523)

Any person obtaining membership in the WVGOBA (a condition precedent to participate in the WVGBDF) on or after June 11, 2004, shall be considered a "bona fide" resident of West Virginia for purposes of participating in the WVGBDF as the owner of a West Virginia whelped greyhounds only if all these conditions are met:

 A registered greyhound owner of an accredited West Virginia whelped greyhound may not claim residency in any other state;

(2). A registered greyhound owner of an accredited West Virginia whelped greyhound must prove "bona fide" West Virginia residency by providing all the following to the WVGBDF Registrar:

(A) Personal income tax returns filed in the State of West Virginia for the most recent tax year and the three (3) previous tax years;

- (B) Documentation that the registered greyhound owner has real or personal property in West Virginia on which the owner has paid real or personal property tax during the most recent tax year and the previous three (3) tax years; and
- (C) Produce an affidavit stating that no other state is claimed as residency.

Enrolled House Bill 4532 also provides for, effective June 11, 2004 and thereafter, the elimination of that part of the so-called "Pink Distribution Form" that designates any part or share of the monthly breeder awards and stakes purses share going to the kennel owner (i.e., lessee of the accredited West Virginia whelped greyhound). Starting June 11, 2004 (and thereafter), the West Virginia Racing Commission will pay the monthly breeder awards and stakes purses solely to the owner or owners of the accredited West Virginia whelped greyhound.

Note: Revised "Pink Distribution Forms" are enclosed for all members of the WVGOBA including those holding membership prior to June 11, 2004, and future members for submission to the West Virginia Racing Commission Registrar. Current members shall submit the revised form no later than June 11, 2004.

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